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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1614

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Examiner: Ronald B. Schwadron

APPLICATION NO: 10/035,663 FILED: NOVEMBER 7, 2001

FOR: COMBINATIONS OF IMMUNOSUPRESSIVE AGENTS FOR THE

TREATMENT OR PREVENTION OF GRAFT REJECTIONS

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of October 5, 2004 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on November 5, 2004. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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Respectfully submitted,

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